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APPENDIX D

SOURCES AND EVALUATION OF SOURCES1. Evaluation of Sources.

In preparing this report, the following sources were most helpful. Strategic Engineering Study No. 144, Electric Power of China (in two volumes), prepared by Engineer Research Office, North Atlantic Division, Corps of Engineers, Strategic Intelligence Branch, Military Intelligence Division, Office Chief of Engineers, US Army, November 1944, published by Army Map Service, Washington, D.C., 1945.

This report consists of three sections: general information, specific information on power stations, and supplemental statistical data. The most valuable section of this report is the information on individual power stations. An exhaustive list is given, including available photographs and sketches, and each plant has been carefully located on a 1:2,000,000 scale map, one map for each province of China.

The preface to this report indicates that the information was obtained largely from a search through libraries in New York City, and that the greater part of the information was published before 1939. It is unfortunate that, in an effort to include all available information, the same plant has in many cases been listed several times in the report, usually giving a different date of information or a slightly different description of the equipment involved in each case. Use of this report for purposes of estimating power available in a given area, therefore, calls for very careful evaluation in order to eliminate this duplication. This report was used as the primary source of the plant list included in Appendix A.

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Preliminary Data on Electric Power Supply in China, prepared by the Bureau of Electrical Engineering, Federal Power Commission, November 1944. Confidential.

The information in this report is said to have come from members of the staff of the Foreign Economic Administration, with technical assistance from the Federal Power Commission staff. Also cited are Chinese Nationalist government reports and reports of certain US engineering companies.

Of particular interest in this report are the data cited as being taken from the Statistical Review for the Year 1936 of the National Construction Commission of the Chinese Government. It was impossible to locate the original of this statistical review during the preparation of the current report. So far as is known, this statistical study was the last complete official study of electric power in the area known as China proper.

The Federal Power Commission study contains a list of plants in major cities, along with the population of each city, and a set of 2 maps, drafted in October 1944 at a scale of about 1 to 4 million, on which the plants are located.

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